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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Please maintain current protections for local providers of internet service. Broadband access is important for a thriving economy based on competitively priced services. Small local internet providers are essential and should not be eliminated by policies advocated by large telecom companies.

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